

As a matter of fact, the report called this transition “one of the world’s relative certainties.” The report, however, based these conclusions on assumptions that we now know are false or, at best, incomplete.

As a matter of fact, the Trump administration showed us just how quickly these assumptions could be upended as: The United States in a matter of months went from an energy dependent to an energy dominant Nation; and policy changes were put in place that began to encourage rather than discourage companies to return to the U.S. soil, including manufacturing.

Yet, those in entrenched places of power in our government continue to endorse this transition as inevitable and look down on those who don’t embrace this worldview of the sunset of America’s greatness as being inevitable.

As a matter of fact, on July 22, 2009, in a speech given in the Ukraine then Vice President Joe Biden said of the Obama-Biden administration, “We are trying to build a multipolar world. . . .”

We are trying to build a multipolar world. The Biden administration continues that effort in earnest today and they are doing it in a couple of different ways. They are earnestly at work to both prop up competing powers and also working to diminish American strength.

Suddenly, as we consider more recent history, what has seemed like a series of policy missteps and blunders begins to make sense. We can now understand the stifling of energy production here at home while encouraging that same energy production overseas with far less environmental standards abroad; the tax and economic policies that drive American businesses and jobs overseas; the sending of billions of dollars in foreign aid to prop up corrupt powers overseas.

We can think about Afghanistan, and the withdrawal debacle, and the leaving of billions of dollars of our best technology overseas, and the policies that discourage the American worker and stifle economic growth seem less like a tragic miscalculation and more like a plan.

All of these factors contribute to this march toward multipolarism, that unprecedented transfer of economic power, wealth, and influence from the American people to competing adversarial regimes. Shall we call that a fleeing of the American people?

In this time of turmoil in our Nation, the lurching from crisis to crisis, the American people have become disillusioned with “leadership” from Washington, D.C. They have watched the fruit of their best efforts squandered away. They have watched their sons and daughters sent to fight endless wars with obscure objectives. Trillions have been spent by politicians with very few actual problems solved.

The globalists in our government have been selling away our Nation’s

treasure, the treasure that our parents, our grandparents, and their grandparents worked hard and fought for.

This has become the real divide in our Federal Government. The contrast between a multipolar, globalist worldview that wishes to shame us out of our Nation’s strength and send America into her sunset years, or a world that believes that what is precious and right in America is worth preserving, and that we should aspire to be that moral beacon of liberty for the world to see: that city on a hill.

Here is the good news. Never has a nation been so blessed with abundant natural resources, access to the Earth’s great oceans, a river system that waters our fertile grounds and facilitates commerce both in our Nation and to the world.

We have a people who, unshackled by the burden of an overreaching government, stand ready to do their best work; to apply themselves to the next generation of innovation and invention, of scholarship and learning; ready to develop the next generation of cures; to provide affordable food and fuel for our neighbors here at home and abroad; and, yes, also to stand ready to respond when those intent on tyranny, destruction, and world domination rear their ugly heads.

The answer for our Nation and, indeed, for the world, is not the dismantling of the American system. It is not the embrace of socialist, progressive policies that have failed time and time again, leaving in its wake the shattered dreams and lives of millions.

It is not an America ducking its head in shame and retreating from its place of leadership. Rather, it is to embrace what has made America great in the first place. It is in a renewal of the American promise. It is in a return to our shared foundational values, albeit practiced more perfectly.

It is in an embrace in our hearts and minds as Americans that we the people are what defines us as a nation; that we are one Nation under God with liberty and justice for all.

This is the great work that lies before us as Americans, for those of us who serve in this Chamber, and to those for whom we represent. May our efforts be noble and just, and may God shed His grace on us.

I yield back the balance of my time.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(b) of House Resolution 188, the House stands adjourned until noon on Monday next for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 2 o’clock and 14 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, October 25, 2021, at noon for morning-hour debate.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker’s table and referred as follows:

EC-2497. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule — Air Plan Approval; Rhode Island; Infrastructure State Implementation Plan Requirements for the 2015 Ozone Standard [EPA-R01-OAR-2020-0562; FRL-8855-02-Region 1] received October 19, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2498. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule — Propamocarb; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2020-0347; FRL-8871-01-OCSPP] received October 19, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2499. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule — Washington: Final Approval of State Underground Storage Tank Program Revisions, Codification and Incorporation by Reference [EPA-R10-RCRA-2021-0452; FRL 8849-01-R10] received October 19, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2500. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule — Air Plan Approval; Nevada, Las Vegas Valley; Second 10-Year Carbon Monoxide Limited Maintenance Plan [EPA-R09-OAR-2021-0242; FRL-8725-02-R9] received October 19, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2501. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule — Approval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; Sacramento Metro Area; 2008 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area Requirements [EPA-R09-OAR-2020-0425; FRL-8723-02-R9] received October 19, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2502. A letter from the Associate Division Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule — Air Plan Approval; Wisconsin; Attainment Plan for the Rhinelander SO<sub>2</sub> [EPA-R05-OAR-2021-0256; FRL-8692-02-R5] received October 19, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2503. A letter from the Executive Director, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting the Board’s final rule — Privacy Act Exemptions received October 19, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC-2504. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Affairs and C.A., Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Indian Business Incubators Program [212A2100DD/AAKC001030/A0A501010.999900] (RIN: 1076-AF63) received October 5, 2021,

pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-2505. A letter from the Director, Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Implementation of Nonresident Alien Deposit Interest Regulations (Rev. Proc. 2021-32) received October 19, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-2506. A letter from the Assistant Chief Counsel, Office of the Chief Counsel, Trade Enforcement and Compliance Unit, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Regulations To Improve Administration and Enforcement of Anti-dumping and Countervailing Duty Laws [Docket No.: 210813-0162] (RIN: 0625-AB10) received October 19, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-2507. A letter from the Director, Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulations — Guidance on the Treatment of Qualified Improvement Property Under Sections 250(b) and 951A(d) and Guidance Related to the Foreign Tax Credit [TD 9956] (RIN: 1545-BP70; 1545-BP91) received October 8, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-2508. A letter from the Director, Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulation — User Fee for Estate Tax Closing Letter [TD 9957] (RIN: 1545-BP75) received October 8, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-2509. A letter from the Director, Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulations — Treatment of Distributions of Property From a Corporation to a Shareholder [TD 9954] (RIN: 1545-BN80) received October 8, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-2510. A letter from the Director, Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Extension of COBRA election and premium payment deadlines under section 7508A(b) [Notice 2021-58] received October 19, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

## PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Ms. DEAN (for herself, Mr. MFUME, and Mr. JONES):

H.R. 5676. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to establish an Office of Prison Education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. DEAN:

H.R. 5677. A bill to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 2, United States Code, title 50, United States Code, and title 52, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CROW (for himself, Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. DEAN, Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. LIEU, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. MORELLE, Mr. NEGUSE, Ms. NORTON, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SWALWELL, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN):

H.R. 5678. A bill to require federally licensed firearms manufacturers, importers, and dealers and their employees to undergo annual training to be eligible to sell a firearm, to require a notice to be posted at retail firearms locations that describes the signs of unlawful firearms purchases, to require such licensees to maintain physical security elements to prevent theft and a minimum level of business liability insurance, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JONES:

H.R. 5679. A bill to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 7, title 20, and title 43, United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PERRY (for himself, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. TIFFANY, Mr. HARRIS, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, Mr. SMUCKER, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, and Mr. MAST):

H.R. 5680. A bill to repeal the sugar program under the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 and certain other programs relating to sugar, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. KATKO (for himself and Mr. CUELLAR):

H.R. 5681. A bill to authorize the reclassification of the tactical enforcement officers (commonly known as the "Shadow Wolves") in the Homeland Security Investigations tactical patrol unit operating on the lands of the Tohono O'odham Nation as special agents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Ms. BARRAGAN (for herself, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mr. CUELLAR, and Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas):

H.R. 5682. A bill to reauthorize the port of entry donations acceptance program of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. CAMMACK (for herself and Mr. KATKO):

H.R. 5683. A bill to direct the Under Secretary for Management of the Department of Homeland Security to assess contracts for covered services performed by contractor personnel along the borders of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. RASKIN (for himself, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. UPTON, Mrs. KIM of California, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. POCAN, Mr. LIEU, Ms. NORTON, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. POSEY, Mr. TRONE, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. COHEN, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. TENNEY, Ms. ROSS, Mrs. SALAZAR, Ms. SPEIER, and Mr. FITZPATRICK):

H.R. 5684. A bill to amend the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act to provide protection for the good faith donation of pet products, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. AGUILAR (for himself, Miss GONZALEZ-COLON, Ms. PRESSLEY, Ms. CLARKE of New York, and Mr. CARSON):

H.R. 5685. A bill to require institutions of higher education to designate at least one employee to coordinate compliance with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. CLOUD:

H.R. 5686. A bill to permit civil actions against the United States for COVID-19 vaccination mandates; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CLOUD:

H.R. 5687. A bill to authorize a private right of action for an individual who suffers a vaccine-related injury or death as a result of receiving a COVID-19 vaccine, as required by their employer, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DAVIDSON:

H.R. 5688. A bill to establish the People-Centered Assistance Reform Effort Commission, to improve the social safety net and increase social mobility by increasing access to resources which address the underlying causes of poverty; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, Agriculture, Energy and Commerce, Financial Services, Transportation and Infrastructure, Rules, the Judiciary, and Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself, Mr. GRAVES of Missouri, Ms. TITUS, and Mr. WEBSTER of Florida):

H.R. 5689. A bill to improve the provision of Federal resources to help build capacity and fund risk-reducing, cost-effective mitigation projects for eligible State, local, Tribal, and territorial governments and certain private nonprofit organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mrs. DINGELL:

H.R. 5690. A bill to amend part E of title IV of the Social Security Act to require States to follow certain procedures in placing a child who has been removed from the custody of his or her parents; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GALLAGHER:

H.R. 5691. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 with respect to certain requirements for institutions of higher education whose students receive TEACH grants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. GARAMENDI (for himself and Mr. AMODEI):

H.R. 5692. A bill to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species in western waters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. GARBARINO (for himself and Mr. ZELDIN):

H.R. 5693. A bill to require advance consultation with State and local officials and monthly reports to Congress regarding the resettlement, transportation, and relocation of aliens in the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GROTHMAN (for himself, Mr. TIFFANY, and Mr. FITZGERALD):

H.R. 5694. A bill to reduce the threshold for mandatory minimum penalties for fentanyl-related offenses under the Controlled Substances Act and the Controlled Substances